



MICE Activities at LBNL

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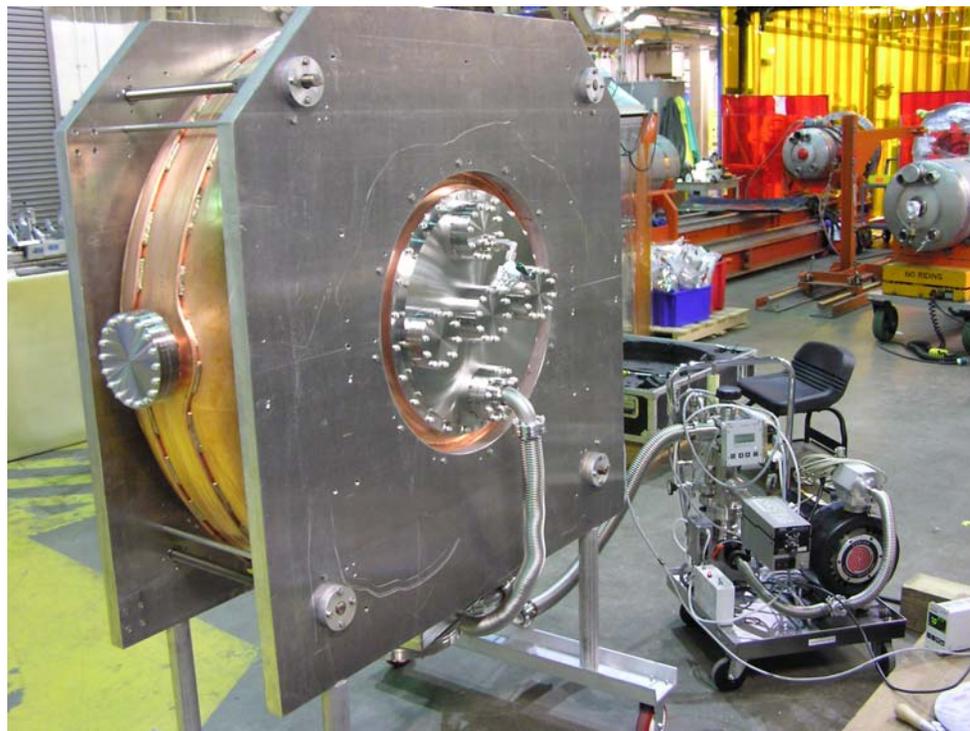
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Introduction

- LBNL has substantial technical responsibilities in **MICE**
 - RF cavity design, development, and fabrication
 - coupling coil design
 - RFCC module to be designed and provided by LBNL...maybe with help
 - spectrometer solenoid design and fabrication
 - includes supports, radiation shield, magnetic shield(s)
- MUTAC review noted that spectrometer solenoid is a drain on resources and delays other items
 - the price we had to pay to get **MICE** Phase 1 approved in the UK
- Also heavily involved in MUCOOL RF R&D and ISS

RF Cavity Progress (1)

- Cavity assembled for leak check earlier this week
 - found large leak in sealing window that needed re-work
 - should be done and back on the pump later today



RF Cavity Progress (2)

- Cavity dummy windows (Cu) coated with TiN (both sides)
- Schedule
 - pump over the weekend (8/6-7)
 - leak-check on Monday (8/8)
 - pack up in custom crate Tuesday/Wednesday (8/9-10)
 - depending on whether we find leaks
 - ship Wednesday or Thursday (8/10-11)

Spectrometer Solenoid Progress

- Responsibility for spectrometer solenoid a relatively recent development
 - be careful what you wish for!
 - came with responsibility for radiation shield and magnetic shield(s)
- We need to move quickly on this
 - pacing item for completing MICE Phase 1
 - aim for delivery of at least one magnet by October 2007
 - this will be difficult
 - limit is not really technical, but “cash-flow”

Spectrometer Solenoid Activities (1)

- Design support system for magnet
 - present drawing is just a cartoon
 - envision system similar to that for RFCC module
 - take forces to the floor to accommodate all possible variations of experimental configurations
 - rigid design is most flexible 😊
- Evaluate impact of increasing cryostat dimensions to same value as other modules
 - suggested long ago by Ed Black
 - has impact on radiation shield design
 - has slight impact on magnetic shielding design
- Modifying coil dimensions to use CC/FC conductor

Spectrometer Solenoid Activities (2)

- Preparing change request for updated spectrometer solenoid design
 - need to get conductor specification approved so we can buy material
 - different coils, supports, dimensions
 - other than that it's identical to the original
- Examining alternative funding profiles
 - explore possibility of getting “cash advance” from UK, with subsequent repayment, to speed things up
 - just a concept at this point; no guarantee this is practical



Other Activities



- Working with UK industry on joint fabrication of RF cavities
- Exploring option of fabricating CC in Switzerland
 - early days, no guarantee this will converge
- Involved in International Scoping Study (ISS)
 - I hope you will be too!
- Documenting RF cavity design and “lessons learned” from this first effort
 - MICE will benefit from this

Summary

- Lots to do
 - getting some help from Oxford engineers
 - and from Imperial College London
- Funding is still an issue
 - guidance for next year is flat-flat (\$3.6M)
- LBNL work carried out by **Mike Green, Derun Li, Bob MacGill, Steve Virostek**
 - a good group of people!
 - they were not alone:
 - help from **Wing Lau and Stephanie Yang** (Oxford) on mechanical design has been invaluable
 - help from **Graham Gosling** (ICL) on RF cavity manufacture
 - help from **Bob Rimmer and Larry Phillips** in overseeing the prototype cavity fabrication was critical to our success